

AGENDA (REVISED)

CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PODIATRY

Wednesday, March 4, 2009, at 10:00 AM
Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford CT
Second Floor – Conference Room F

CALL TO ORDER

I. Minutes

Review and approval of the minutes from December 3, 2008.

II. Department of Public Health Updates

A. Ankle Surgery Permits

B. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Practitioner Investigation Unit, Department of Public Health

III. Legal Office Business

Steven Buchbinder – Petition No. 2008-0320-019-002

Presentation of Consent Order – Joelle Newton, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, DPH

IV. Old Business

Declaratory Ruling - Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy

V. Additional Agenda Items

ADJOURN

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on December 3, 2008 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room E, Second Floor, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Vita Hardy
Christine Willey

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the September 10, 2008 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Department of Public Health Updates

A. Ankle Surgery Permits

Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported 10 applications for permits have been received to date and are currently being reviewed by review committee. No ankle surgery permits have been issued to date.

B. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that five cases are currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health.

Three additional cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Health Assistance interVention Education Network for Connecticut Health Professionals – (HAVEN)

Maureen Dinnan, Esq., Executive Director gave a presentation regarding the Health Assistance interVention Education Network for Connecticut Health Professionals (HAVEN). This program was developed pursuant to Public Act 07-103. Attorney Dinnan gave an overview of the programs mission, services and goals.

Currently there are approximately 100 individuals enrolled in the program, with 1 being a Podiatrist.

B. Meeting Dates for 2009

Following are the meeting dates scheduled for 2009.

March 4, 2009

June 3, 2009

September 2, 2009

December 2, 2009

All meetings will be scheduled for 10:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

C. Nurses accepting orders from a Podiatric Physician

Dr. Pressman will draft a letter to be sent to the Assistant Attorney General asking for an opinion as to whether nurses licensed in Connecticut can follow orders of a Podiatric Physician and, if so, does this extend to nurses practicing in the Public School setting.

D. Declaratory Ruling Fact-Finding - Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy

The Board conducted fact-finding regarding the issue of Hyperbaric oxygen therapy. Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro was present by teleconference to provide counsel to the Board. The Board will issue a written decision in early 2009.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry